

Variety Characteristics

General

Gala is an early maincrop fresh market variety, with a high production.

Gala is producing a high number of tubers of uniform average size. Gala gives an average plant with quick soil coverage and white flowers.

Tuber

Cooking type: A/B

Tuber shape: round

Tuber size: medium

Eye depth: shallow eyes

Skin color: yellow

Flesh color: light yellow to deep yellow

Tuber number: high

Uniformity of shape: very equal

Yield: high to very high

Internal defects: none

Internal bruising: insensitive

UWW: +/- 340

Resistance

PCN: Ro₁ e Ro₄ resistent

PVYn: high resistent

Leafroll: resistent

Foliage blight: slightly susceptible
Tuber blight: little susceptible
Black leg: little susceptible
Rhizoctonia: little susceptible

Scab: little susceptible

To remember

Gala is a high yielding variety with homogenous growing tubers for the fresh market. Gala is hardly sensitive for internal defects and gives no problems during long storage.

Cultivation advice

Soil

Because of its high tubercount and yield Gala grows best on medium soils with sufficient water or irrigation. With irrigation Gala also grows on light soils.

Adapt fertilization per HA to soil analysis

Nitrogen 140 to 170 kilogram
Phosfate 80 to 100 kilogram
Potasium 180 to 200 kilogram
Magnesium 50 to 70 kilogram

Extra attention for the supply of nitrogen at the end of the growth is important in order to keep the plant slightly longer on the growth.

Planting, harvesting & storage

Because Gala gives a high tuberisation of 20 tubers per plant, the advice is to plant seedpotatoes in the size of 35/50: 75 cm x 30 cm minimum and optimum 33 cm. Due to the high tuberisation Gala needs a solid ridge. The variety is easy to harvest, preserves long in storage and has a long dormancy.

